

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

Claims 1-14. (Canceled)

15. (Currently amended) A method of securing tissue to bone during arthroscopic surgery, comprising the steps of:

providing an offset drill guide in the proximity of a lesion to be repaired, the offset drill guide comprising a cannulated body and a shaft offset from a center line of the cannulated elongated body by about 1 to 3 mm;

penetrating the tissue with the offset drill guide;

advancing the offset drill guide so that a clear tip having a concave configuration of the offset drill guide contacts the bone; [[and]]

inserting a drill pin through the cannulated body of the offset drill guide and drilling a hole in the bone; and

inserting a tissue repair device into [[a]] the hole in the bone.

16. (Canceled)

17. (Original) The method of claim 15, further comprising the step of inserting an obturator into the cannulated body of the offset drill guide prior to the step of penetrating the tissue with the offset drill guide.

18. (Original) The method of claim 17, further comprising the step of retracting the obturator from the cannulated body of the offset drill guide subsequent to the step of penetrating the tissue with the offset drill guide.

19. (Original) The method of claim 15, further comprising the step of inserting the tissue repair device and a driver into the offset drill guide.

20. (Original) The method of claim 15, wherein the tissue repair device is a suture anchor or an implant.

21. (Currently amended) A method of conducting a Bankart repair, comprising the steps of:

providing [[an]] a drill guide having a cannulated body and a clear tip in the proximity of a Bankart lesion to be repaired;

penetrating the glenoid labrum with the drill guide;

advancing the drill guide so that a clear tip having a concave configuration of the drill guide contacts the glenoid face having a convex configuration; [[and]]

inserting a drill pin through the cannulated body of the drill guide and drilling a hole in the glenoid face for a threaded suture anchor or an implant; and

inserting [[a]] the threaded suture anchor or [[an]] the implant into the hole in the glenoid face while viewing the threaded suture anchor or the implant through the clear tip of the drill guide.

22. (Canceled)

23. (Original) The method of claim 21, further comprising the step of inserting an obturator into the cannulated body of the drill guide prior to penetrating the glenoid face with the drill guide.

24. (Original) The method of claim 23, further comprising the step of retracting the obturator from the cannulated body of the drill guide subsequent to the step of penetrating the glenoid labrum with the drill guide.

25. (Original) The method of claim 21, wherein the drill guide comprises a cannulated body and a shaft offset from a center line of the cannulated elongated body by about 1 to 3 mm, such that the suture anchor is inserted into the glenoid face at an offset from the center line of the drill guide.

26. (Original) A method for installing a tissue repair device into a convex face of the glenoid, the method comprising the steps of:

providing a cannulated offset drill guide in the proximity of a Bankart lesion to be repaired, the offset drill guide comprising a cannulated body, a handle affixed to the cannulated body and a shaft offset from a center line of the cannulated elongated body by about 1 to 3 mm;

inserting an obturator into the cannulated body of the cannulated offset drill guide;

penetrating the glenoid labrum with the cannulated offset drill guide;

retracting the obturator from the cannulated offset drill guide;

advancing the cannulated offset drill guide so that a clear tip having a concave configuration of the cannulated offset drill guide contacts the glenoid face having a convex configuration; and

inserting a tissue repair device into the glenoid face.

27. (Original) The method of claim 26, wherein the tissue repair device is a suture anchor or an implant.

28. (Original) The method of claim 26, wherein the clear tip is provided with a distal concave surface comprising a first inclined surface and a second inclined surface, the first inclined surface and the second inclined surface forming an angle greater than about 90 degrees relative to the center line of the cannulated elongated body.

29. (Original) The method of claim 26, wherein the angle is of about 110 to about 130 degrees.

AMENDMENTS TO THE TITLE

Please amend the title to read as follows:

METHOD OF USING OFFSET DRILL GUIDE IN ARTHROSCOPIC SURGERY